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SUBJECT: PARA AND MANAGING FIXED RESOURCES IN A DYNAMIC ENVIRONMENT

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1. IN FOCUSING ON THE STOCK-TAKING EXERCISE REQUESTED IN REF (B), IT IS EVIDENT THAT WE WILL HAVE TO MAKE TWO, ALTERNATIVE ASSUMPTIONS: (A) THAT MILITARY AND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WILL REMAIN AT LEAST AT CURRENT LEVELS, AND (B) THAT THEY WILL BE INCREASED AS A RESULT OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S EFFORTS WITH CONGRESS. WE WILL THEN COME UP WITH RESOURCE MIXES APPROPRIATE TO EACH OF THESE OPTIONS.

2. IN PREPARING FOR THE PARA EXERCISE, HOWEVER, IT SEEMS TO US THAT IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR USTO KNOW WHICH OF THE TWO ASSUMPTIONS IN PARA ONE WILL OBTAIN BEFORE WE CAN ADDRESS THE RRLEVANT OBJECTIVES AND ISSUES FOR THE FUTURE. WE FURTHER BELIEVE THAT THE NEXT MONTH OR SO MAY PROVIDE SOME OF THE ANSWERS: ANGOLA WILL SORT OUT MORE CLEARLY; OUR READINGS ON THE HILL WILL BE MORE PRECISE; THE SECRETARY WILL HAVE VISITED ZAIRE. IN SUM, WE RECOMMEND THAT THE ZAIRE PARA BE PUT OFF UNTIL THE JULY CYCLE. THE WORK WE WILL HAVE DONE IN THE MEANTIME ON THE STOCK-TAKING EXERCISE SHOULD PHASE INTO THE JULY PARA.

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3. AMBASSADOR CUTLER LEFT FOR WASHINGTON BEFORE WE CAME

TO THE ABOVE CONCLUSION, YOU MAY WISH TO CHECK WITH HIM.

REGARDS.

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